



# **Up-to-date Cosmic Ray Applications for a SSA Satellite, for SWON, in ViSpaNet and for Fukushima radiation**

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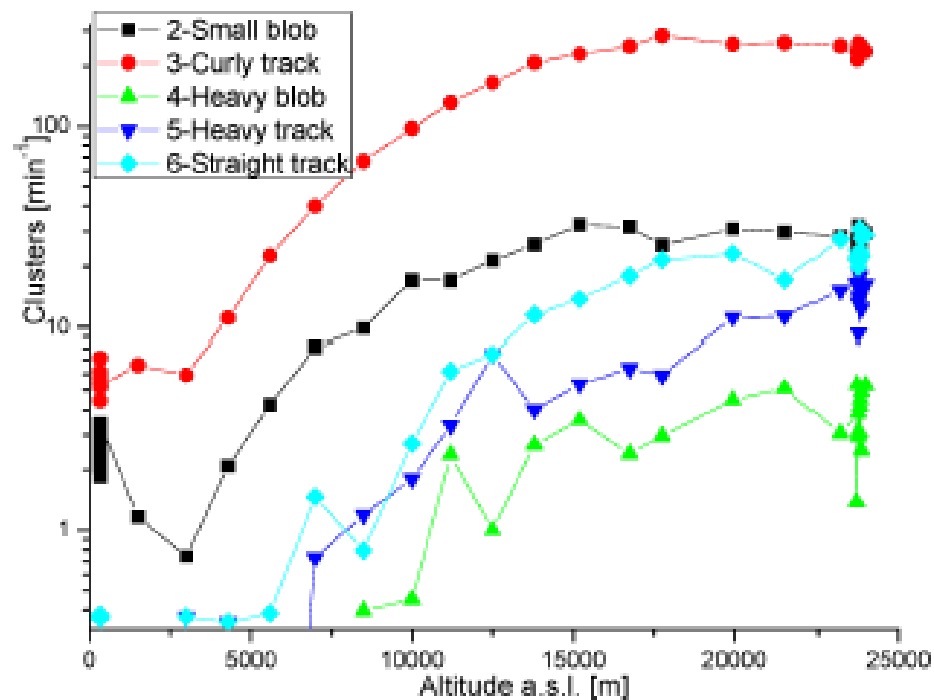
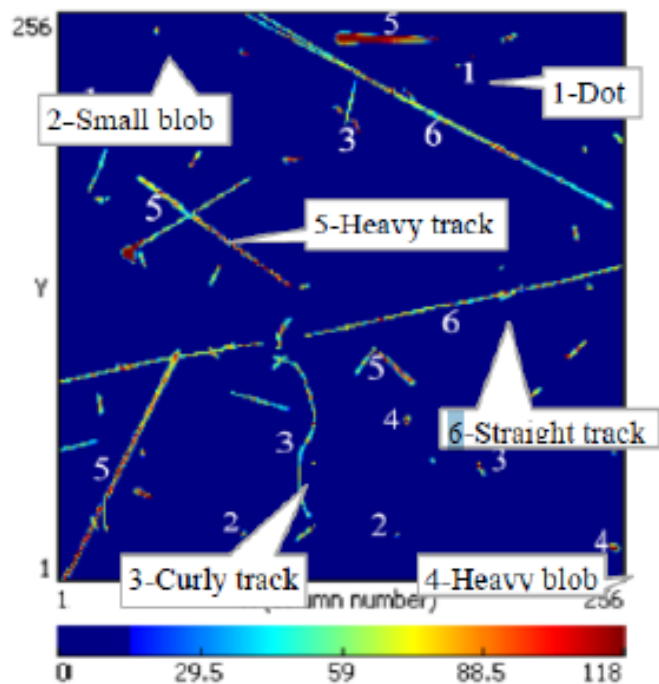


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# 1) COSMIC RAY IMAGING TELESCOPE and Medipix DETECTOR

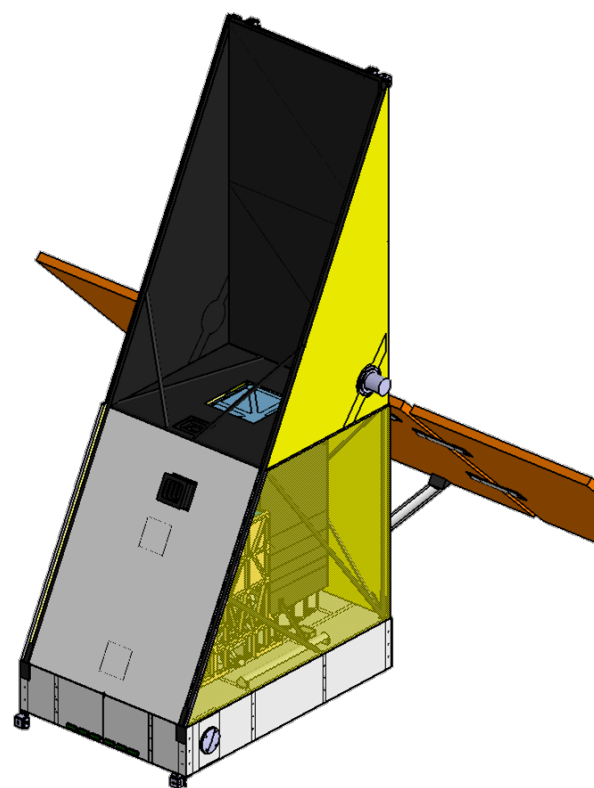
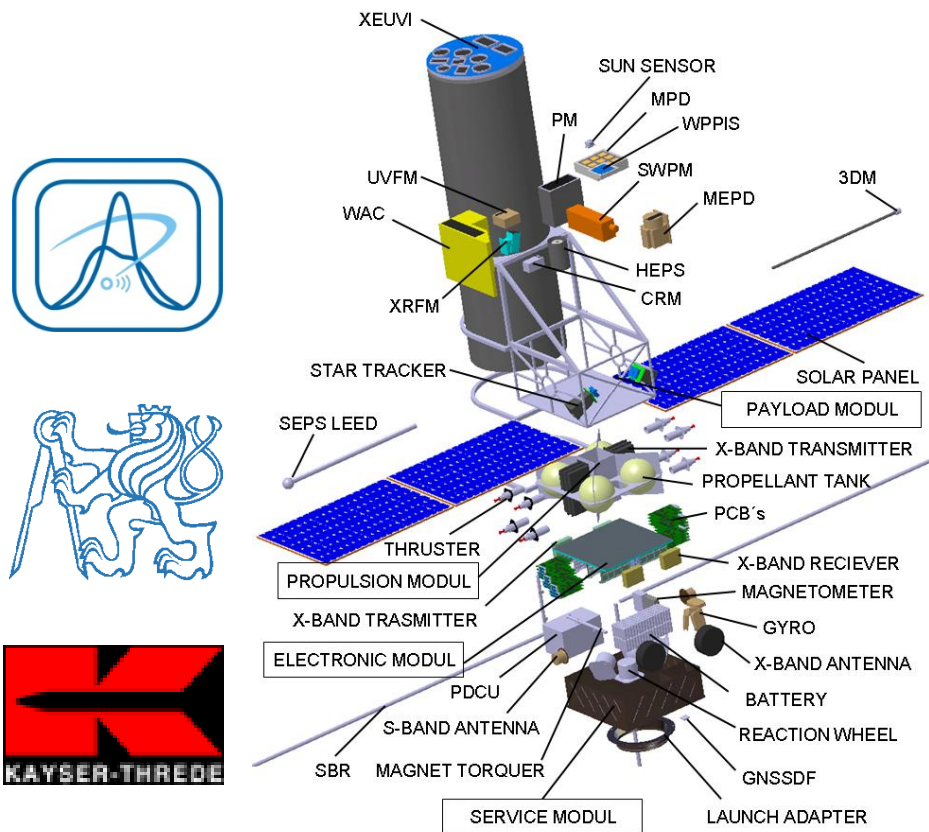
BEXUS / Medipix ballon flight (J. Urbar)



- 1 X-rays & low energy electrons
- 2 gamma and & electrons
- 3 high energy electrons
- 4 short range ions
- 5 long range ions
- 6 massive interacting particles

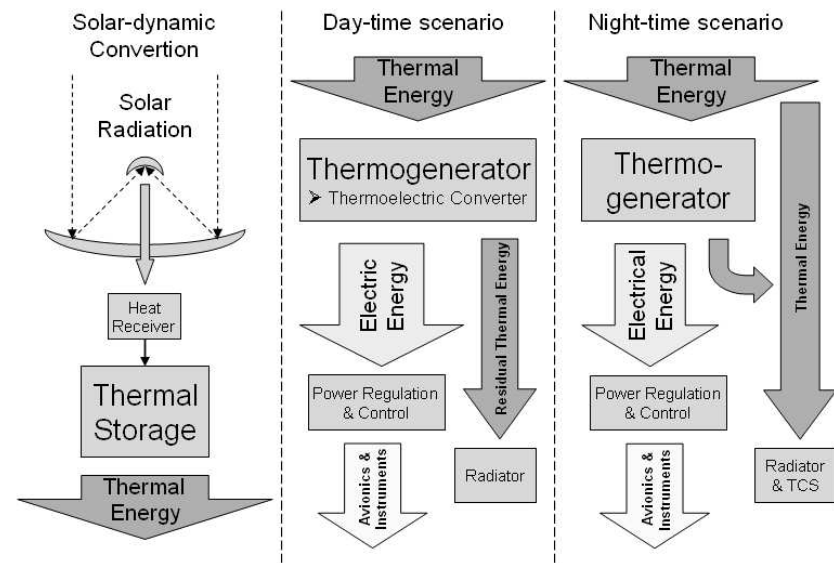
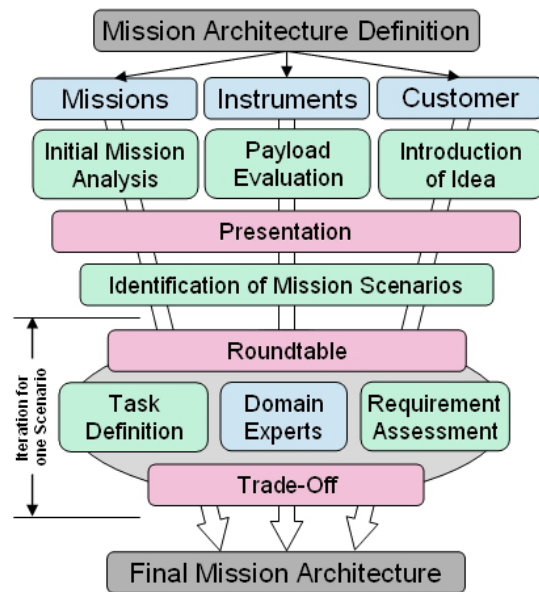
# 1) COSMIC RAY IMAGING TELESCOPE and Medipix DETECTOR

- Proposal for a SSA (Space Situational Awareness) satellite + DLR Bremen AF for NEOs (Phase B)
- This space weather and space debris orientated SSA satellite is proposed to have all necessary electromagnetic wave, particle and imaging instruments and telescopes.



## 2) SPACE WEATHER OBSERVATION NETWORK (SWON)

- combining solar & asteroid science with space weather: **landing with a fleet of s/c on asteroid (IEO) behind the Sun** (see also paper IAC-11-D5.3.3 Maiwald, Weiß, Jansen)
- CEF DLR Bremen: for instance - technology demonstration of solar-dynamic power generators, **s/c**: ~ 250 kg, **payload**: 1.5 kg, 2.5 W (FGM, particle+ $\Gamma$ +X+EUV monitor/telescope (Medipix), small optical camera) => 28 days solar originated space weather forecast time

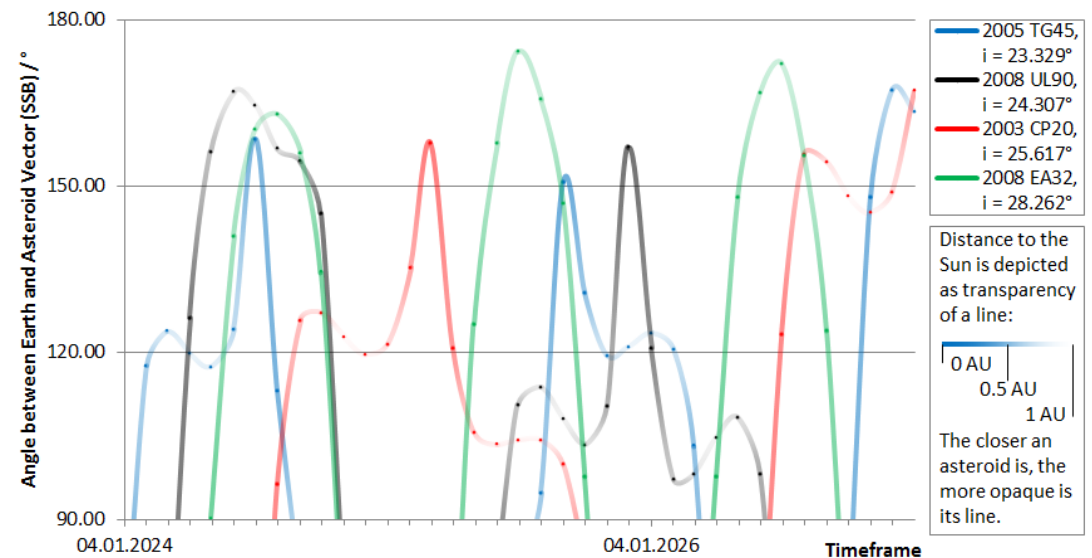




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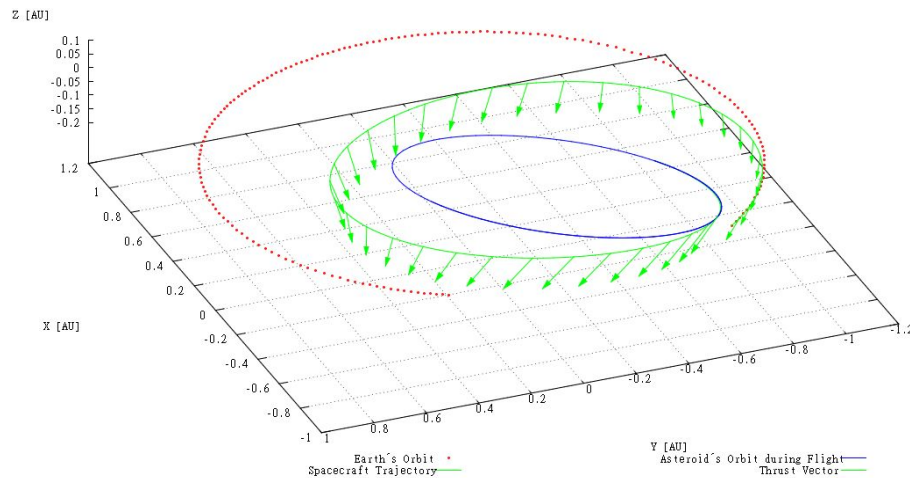
table: 10 know IEOs => fig.: angles between Earth and IEO asteroid as a function of time during a period of future solar maximum (2024 – 2026, passing Sun directly opposite Earth)

	Period[y]	a[AU]	e	i[°]
2003 CP <sub>20</sub>	0.637	0.741	0.322	25.617
2004 XZ <sub>130</sub>	0.485	0.617	0.454	2.953
1996 DK <sub>36</sub>	0.576	0.692	0.415	2.017
2004 JG <sub>6</sub>	0.506	0.635	0.531	18.945
2005 TG <sub>45</sub>	0.562	0.681	0.372	23.329
2006 KZ <sub>39</sub>	0.475	0.609	0.541	9.925
2006 WE <sub>4</sub>	0.695	0.784	0.182	24.767
2007 EB <sub>26</sub>	0.405	0.548	0.786	8.461
2008 EA <sub>32</sub>	0.483	0.615	0.304	28.262
2008 UL <sub>90</sub>	0.579	0.694	0.380	24.307



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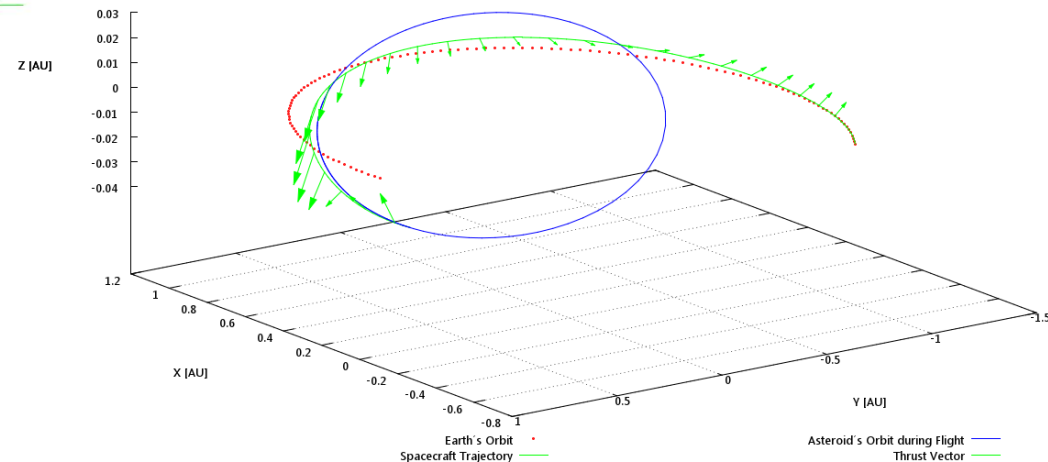
fig.: rendezvous trajectories targeting 2006 KZ<sub>39</sub> (right) and 2004 XZ<sub>130</sub> (left)  
red - Earth's orbit, blue - asteroid's orbit, green – s/c trajectory with vectors for thrust direction



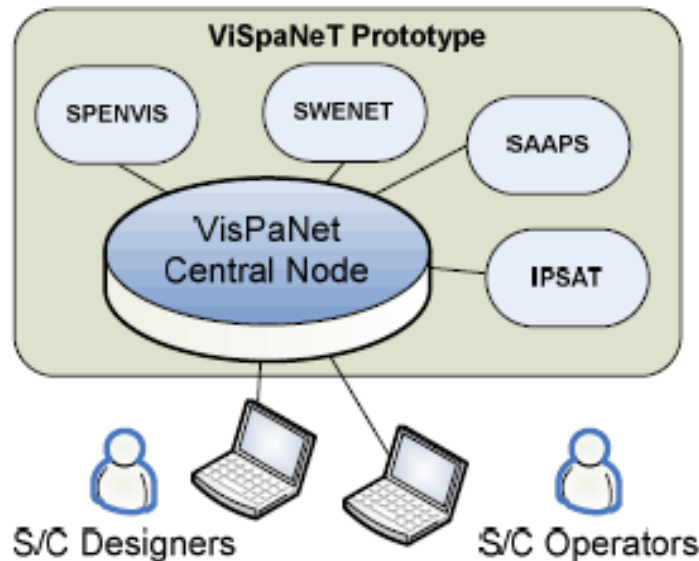
**Main result:**

**optimization provides a rendezvous  
with 2004 XZ<sub>130</sub> for late December 2024**

**International Participants?**



### 3) ViSpaNet (Virtual Space weather Network of space systems)



ViSpaNet (to be opened in 2012, wsd!):

- 22 use cases for s/c operators/designers, model developers and scientific community (GMDN data)
- analysis, nowcast, forecast/predict and real time monitoring and
- user can smoothly continue to work

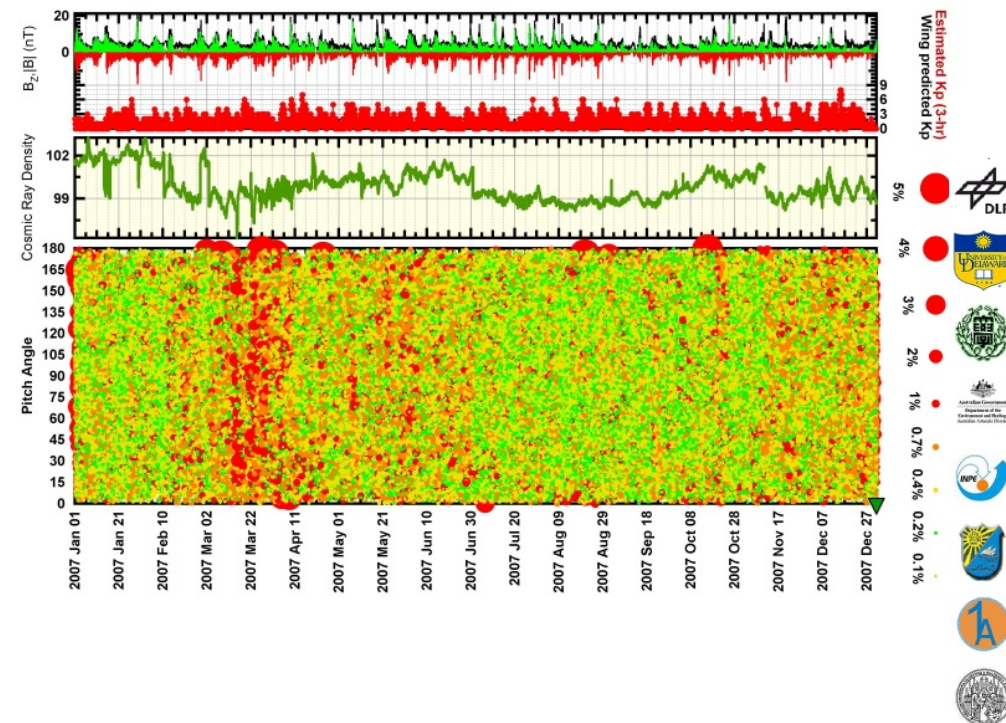


## 4) GMDN data, solar maximum and Fukushima radiation

- GMDN – Global Muon Detector Network (international, ground based real time CR & CME telescope network)
- physics: cosmic ray anisotropy by CMEs, measured via secondary CR muons
- figure: left solar minimum (2007) and right solar maximum (begin, 2011) GMDN data (+ACE)

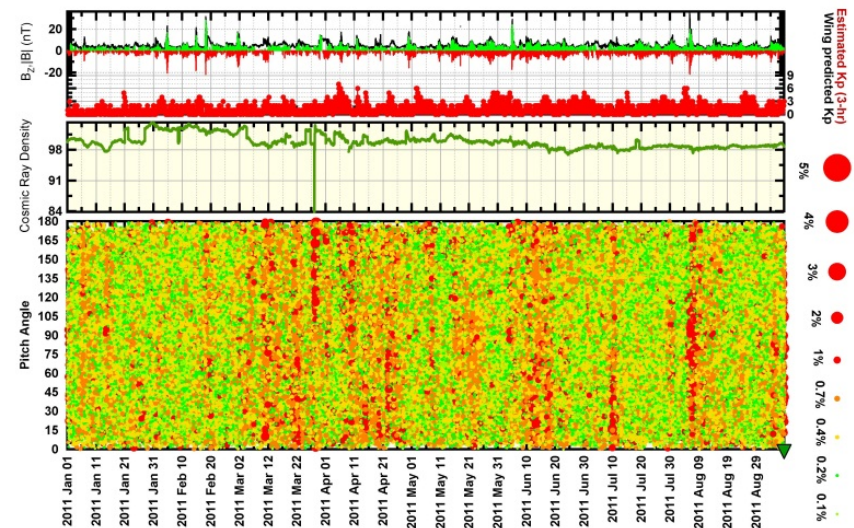
Real Time Space Weather Cloud Warning (Network: NST, HST, SMST, KPC, GST)

01 January 2007 - 31 December 2007



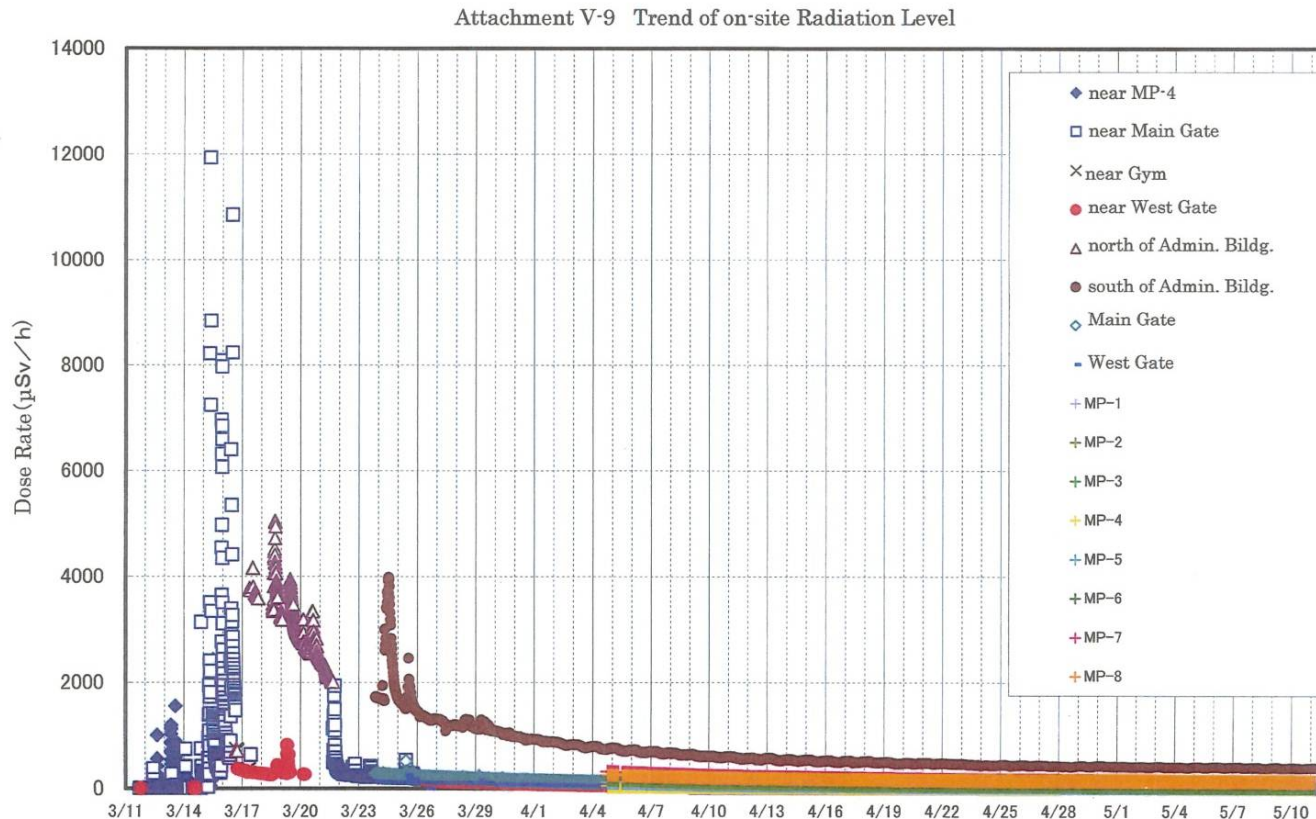
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<sup>a</sup> Report of the Japanese Government to the IAEA Ministerial Conference on Nuclear Safety, June 2011



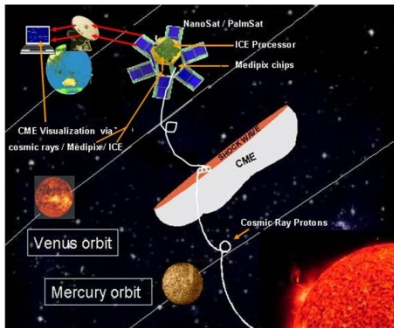
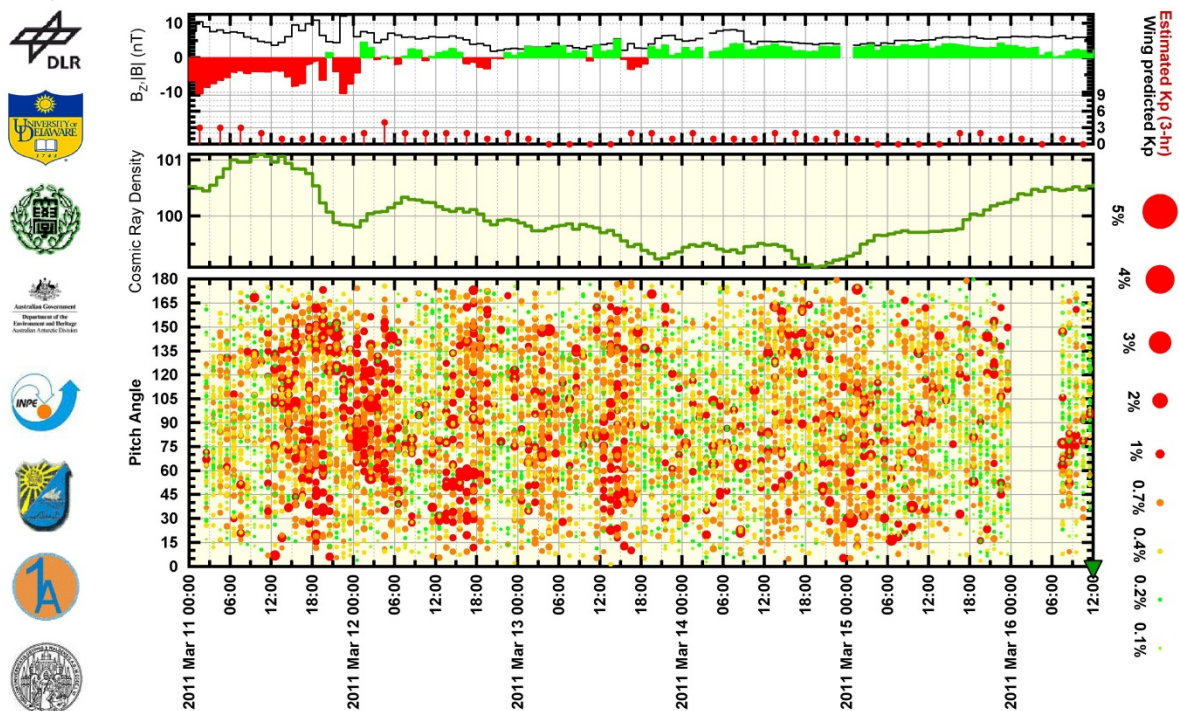


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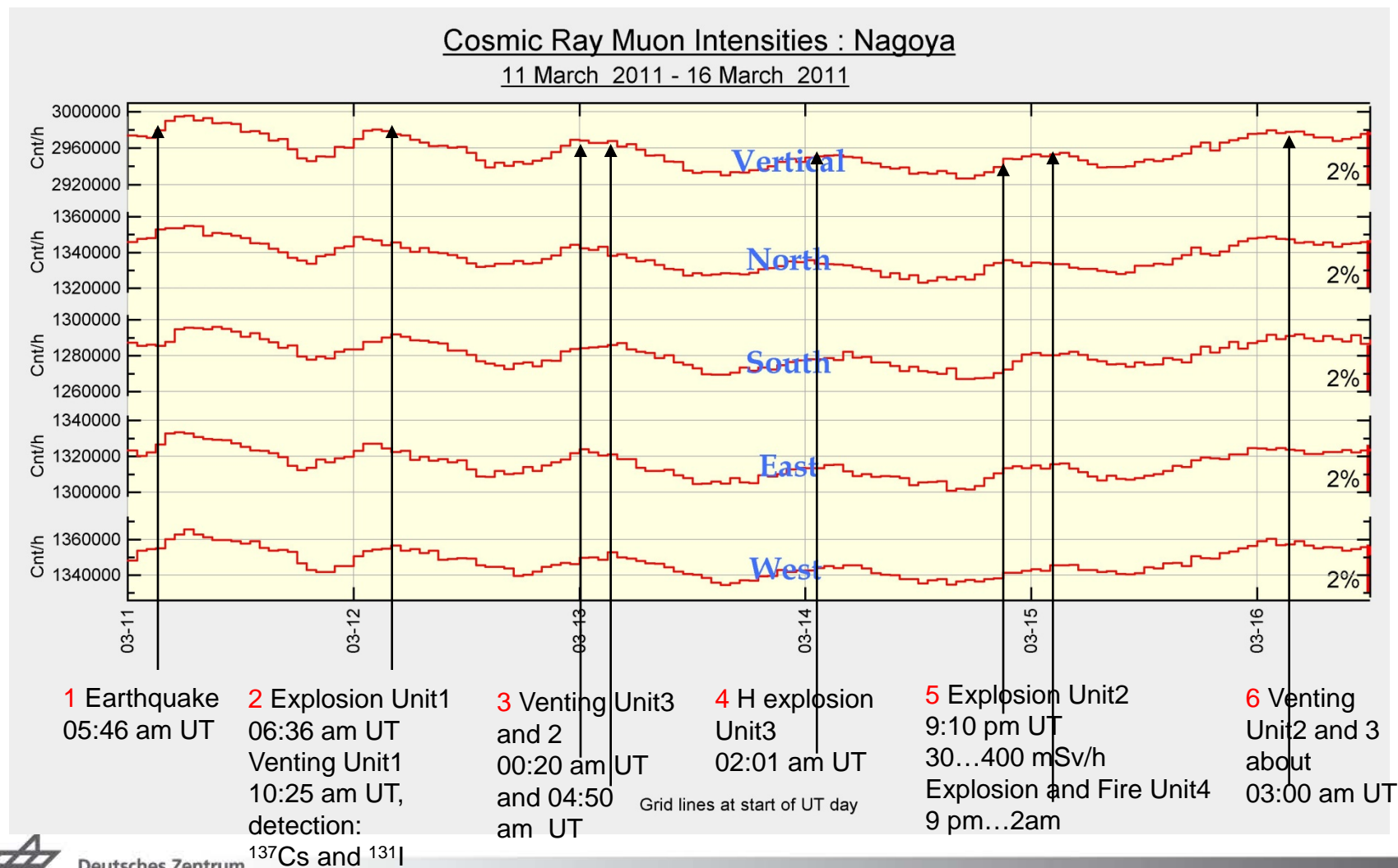
Observations: between **11 to 16 March 2011** only **1** of 5 GMDN telescopes measured **increase in CR muon counts** => this is the **Nagoya Scintillator Telescope** (NST has about 600 km distance from Fukushima-Daiichi (FD) nuclear power station (NPS))

Very „faint“ CME arrived at Earth (10 March 11), cosmic ray anisotropy due to NST (see next slide)?!

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11 March 2011 - 16 March 2011



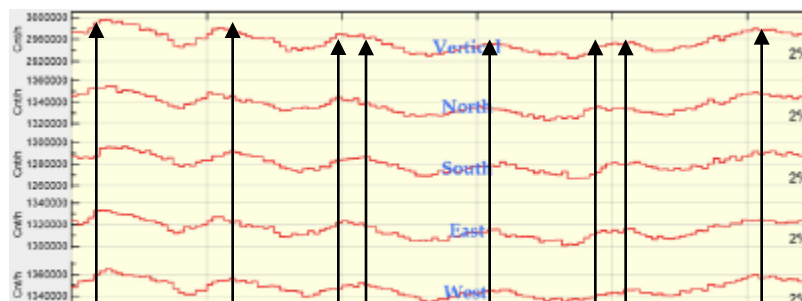
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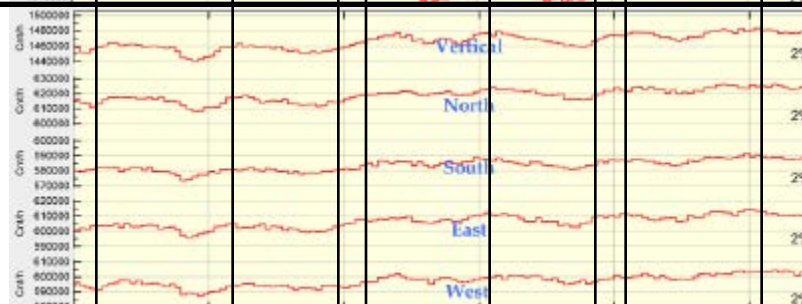
Fukushima events: 1 2 3 4 5 6

NST (muon/h)  
at Nagoya /  
Japan



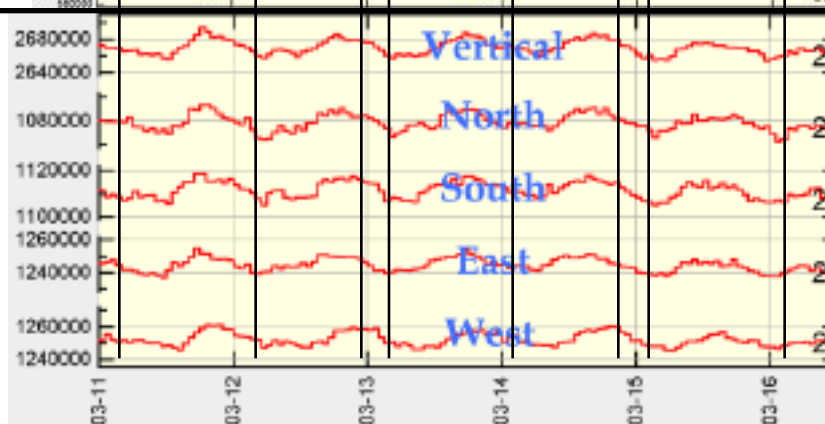
Hints for correlations in time between Fukushima events and Nagoya muon measurements (favored: vertical and north direction?)

HST (muon/h)  
at Hobart /  
Australia



No correlations in time between Fukushima events and Hobart / SaoMartinho muon measurements.

SMST (muon/h)  
at SaoMartinho /  
Brazil



However:  
diurnal CR variation effects?





## 4) GMDN data, solar maximum and Fukushima radiation

Facts: 1) fission product (FP) were plutonium in FD units,

2) early stage measurements<sup>a,b</sup> of **direct FP** (on 11/03/2011):

$$^{239}\text{Pu} = 3.2 \times 10^9 \text{ Bq (total of unit 1, 2 and 3)}$$

3) early stage measurement<sup>a,c</sup> of **indirect/radioactive decay chain product**

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<sup>b</sup> NISA and JNES 4/4/2011: The 2011 off the Pacific cost of Tohoku Pacific Earthquake and the seismic damage to the NPPs

<sup>c</sup> NISA have confirmed the presence of caesium-137 and iodine-131 in the vicinity of Fukushima Daiichi Unit 1 (<http://www.iaea.org/newscenter/news/2011/fukushima120311.html>)

## 4) GMDN data, solar maximum and Fukushima radiation

Fukushima facts:

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Is there a HYPOTHESE: FD facts / NST Data?

main fission chain:  $^{239}\text{Pu} (\alpha, n) \rightarrow ^{235}\text{U} \rightarrow ^{129}\text{I} (\beta^- (\text{e}^-))$  but also  $^{131}\text{I}$  (with  $\beta^- \Rightarrow \text{e}^-$  producer)

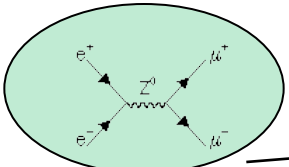
secondary (from main) fission chain:  $^{235}\text{U} + n \rightarrow ^{236}\text{U} \rightarrow ^{137}\text{Cs} + ^{96}\text{Rb} + 3 n$   
( $^{137}\text{Cs}$  with  $\beta^- \Rightarrow \text{e}^-$  producer)

**Big question: physics** behind additional NST  $\mu$ 's from FD NPS?

a) normaly CME muons from  $p_{\text{CR}} + p_{\text{air}} \rightarrow \pi^0$  but also  $\pi^- / \pi^+$  with  $\pi^- / \pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+$

b) from a) **secondary  $\mu^+$**   $\rightarrow$  **secondary  $\text{e}^+$**  (plus primary CR  $\text{e}^+$ )

c) from FD NPS  $^{131}\text{I}$  and  $^{137}\text{Cs}$  with their  $\beta^- \Rightarrow$  **FD NPS  $\text{e}^-$**

d)  1983 CERN  $Z^0$  boson  $\text{e}^-_{\text{FD NPS}} \text{e}^+_{\text{secondary CR}} \rightarrow Z^0 \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+$  at NST measured

## 4) GMDN data, solar maximum and Fukushima radiation

Nagoya (NST) events: 1 (Earthquake), 2 to 6 (explosions / ventings)

### 1 Earthquake

Example: Antonova et al. Geomag. & Aeronomy 2009, No.6, 761-767

5.95 magnitude earthquake 25 Dec 2006 in Tien Shan, 2 detectors: 18NM64

=> thermal neutrons (~MeV, normaly from interplanetary disturbances) **increase** ( $\Delta I_n \sim 5\%$ )  
**with Earthquake start**, reason: escape of radon due to deformation of faults / or formation of microracks by  $(\alpha, n)$  reactions from  $^{222}\text{Rn}$   $(\alpha, n)$   $^{218}\text{Po}$

No neutron monitor data in Japan during the period!

However NST muons (see also previous slide) and M9 Tohoku Earthquake?

$^{222}\text{Rn}$  observation? Yes, indirectly via anomalies in TEC (Ouzounov et al. 2011 EGU Vienna):

Upper-atmosphere ionosphere=> the radon strips air molecules of their electrons, splitting them into the free electrons (TEC changes) and ions => attract condensed water in a process that releases heat (arXiv:1105.2841v1)

$^{222}\text{Rn}$   $(\alpha, n)$   $^{218}\text{Po}$  **with free n**  $\rightarrow$  p +  $e^-$  + electron-antineutrino

$e^-_{\text{Rn}} e^+_{\text{secondary CR}} \rightarrow Z^0 \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+$  **at NST measured**

=>  $\Delta I_\mu \sim 1\text{-}2\%$  (NST cosmic ray muon anisotropy)

2 to 6 (explosions / ventings):  $\Delta I_\mu \sim 1\text{-}2\%$  (NST cosmic ray muon anisotropy)

## Summary

- to 1) CR imaging and Medipix based telescope in study
- to 2) SWON: asteroid 2004 XZ<sub>130</sub> for late December 2024
- to 3) ViSpaNet: a real time tool for s/c operators and designers to be published in 2012
- to 4) Hypothese about correlation of GMDN / NST and FD data

## Education & Outreach

DLR\_School\_Lab in Bremen  
Opening 24 May 2012

Real time cosmic ray muon  
visualization!

Universities of Nijmegen / Kiel

